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| to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Exam 50092 (Aug. 16. 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), practice.   | R. §1.53(d) (Fination and Pr             | PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE<br>ovisional Application Practic | to be eligible for the patent<br>e, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. |  |
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